

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The listing of claims below replaces all prior versions of claims in the application.

1. (Cancelled).
2. (Previously Presented): A disc unit according to claim 9, wherein said damper comprises:

a first layer; and

a second layer, formed on said trunk flexible printed circuit board and connected to said trunk flexible printed circuit board, which elastically transmits the oscillation from said trunk flexible printed circuit board to the first layer.
3. (Original): A disc unit according to claim 2, wherein the second layer is made of a viscoelastic material.
4. (Original): A disc unit according to claim 2, wherein the second layer is a pressure sensitive adhesive double coated tape.
5. (Original): A disc unit according to claim 2, wherein the first layer is made of metal.
6. (Original): A disc unit according to claim 2, wherein the first layer is made of polyimide.

7. (Previously Presented): A disc unit according to claim 9, further comprising a spindle motor that rotates the disc at a speed of 10,000 rpm or higher, wherein the disc has storage capacity of 60 GB or larger.

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Currently Amended): A disc unit comprising:

a head that records information onto and/or reproduces information from a disc;

a suspension that supports said head and includes a circuit that is electrically connected to the head;

a trunk flexible printed circuit board, which is connected to the circuit of said suspension and is attached to the side surface of said suspension through an air gap, said trunk flexible printed circuit board transmitting a signal indicative of the information to and from said head;

a main flexible printed circuit board, connected to said trunk flexible printed circuit board, which comprises a preamp IC that amplifies the signal; and

a damper that damps oscillation of said trunk flexible printed circuit board, said damper being provided on said trunk flexible printed circuit board opposite to said suspension.

10. (Previously Presented): A disc unit according to claim 9, wherein said trunk flexible printed circuit board is connected to the circuit at a first junction, and said main flexible printed circuit board at a second junction, and

wherein said trunk flexible printed circuit board is fixed to said suspension between the first and second junctions.

11. (Withdrawn): A disc unit comprising:

- a head that records information from and/or reproduces information onto a disc;
- a long tail type suspension that supports said head and includes a circuit that is electrically connected to the head, said suspension including a long tail part that transmits a signal indicative of the information to and from said head;
- a main flexible printed circuit board, which is connected to the long tail part of said long tail type suspension from said head and is attached to the side surface of said suspension through an air gap, said main flexible printed circuit board including a preamp IC that amplifies the signal; and
- a damper attached to the long tail part of said long tail type suspension.

12. (Withdrawn): A long tail type suspension that supports a head that records information from and/or reproduces information onto a disc, said suspension comprising:

- a printed circuit that is electrically connected to the head, said suspension including a long tail part that transmits a signal indicative of the information to and from said head, and is connectible to a main flexible printed circuit board, which is connected to said head from said suspension and is attached to the side surface of said suspension through an air gap, which includes a preamp IC that amplifies the signal; and
- a damper attached to the long tail part of said long tail type suspension.